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LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Maud Mayo is in town this week.

E. W. Walker spent Sunday in town.

The W. C. T. U. held no meeting this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Edwards and Miss Nellie Frost were in Portland Saturday.

Archer Grover returned to Orono last Wednesday, after a week's visit to his parents.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Florence Holt, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. A. M. Farwell, who has been away since last October, returned home this morning.

W. W. Hastings, W. E. Abbott, Chas. Ryerson, and E. C. Bowler, were in Portland, Saturday.

Judge Foster is to deliver the Memorial day address before Grover Post G. A. R. at Fryburg.

Mr. Leslie Mason and family and Miss Agnes Kimball were in Bethel, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Kimball.

Miss Eva Maxim, who has been visiting at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Helen Briggs, the past ten days, returned to her home in Limington, Monday.

A carload of lumber is being unloaded at the depot, and hauled to Mettallak Island, a distance of about forty miles. It is to be used to build a summer cottage.

Miss E. E. Burnham has been ill for over a week of the grippe. At present she is on the ground. Miss Emma Jones has charge of the store during Miss Burnham's illness.

Mr. Jacob Clark died at his home in Bethel, Apr. 6. He leaves a widow, who has the sympathy of a large circle of friends. Rev. Alexander Hamilton conducted the funeral services Saturday afternoon, at the church at Middle Intervale.

A letter from Waldo county, written one week ago, tells of an abundance of mud in that section. Well, our fences are beginning to appear from under their winter overcoats, and if nothing happens, we shall be complaining about mud in a few weeks.

In another column will be found the annual statement of the Mutual Life Insurance Co., the largest financial institution in the world. Mr. Freeman Howe of Rumford Falls are the agents in Oxford County for this reliable company.

Mr. A. S. Bean of West Bethel is buying a large amount of birch for manufacture at his mill. He will get about 6000 cords in all this season, besides handling large quantities of wood and pulp timber, some of which he purchases from other operators, the larger part, however being taken from lands owned by him in Bethel and adjoining towns. Mr. Bean also manufactures much long lumber at his mills.

Mrs. Abigail Kimball of Bangor, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Irving Ames, last Friday afternoon. Funeral services were held at the house, Sunday, conducted by Rev. F. E. Barton. Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Ames accompanied the remains to Hermon for burial. Mrs. Kimball had been ill for some time, and her two sons, Dr. Kimball from Bangor and Dr. Kimball from the West, had but just returned to their homes after visiting their mother, when they received news of her death.

"Courage and Strength in Times of Danger."

Read the warning between the lines. What is that warning? It is of the danger from the accumulation of badness in the blood, caused by the usual heavy living of the winter months. Spring is the clearing, cleansing time of the year; the forerunner of the brightness and beauty of glorious summer.

Follow the principle that Nature lays down. Start in at once and purify your blood with that great specific, Hood's Sarsaparilla. It never disappoints.

Crip—"Sixteen weeks of grip made me weak, but after all else failed Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me. Later I overworked, and dyspepsia and indigestion in mouth and stomach bothered me. I took the Sarsaparilla again and it completely restored me." Mrs. Elizabeth Foster, Exeter, N. H.

Rheumatism—"Myself and a friend both suffered from severe attacks of rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured both. We would not be without it." Wm. H. Leaven, 66 Leonard St., Fall River, Mass.

Head and Back—"For one year pains in my back and head prevented my household duties. I took Hood's Sarsaparilla and it completely restored me." Mrs. M. M. Hennessey, Cor. First and Franklin Ave., Columbus, Ind.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Never Disappoints.

Hood's Pills cure liver bile, the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Mr. W. J. Wheeler was in our village, Tuesday.

Mrs. Arthur Bunting and Muriel visited Bethel, last week.

William Williamson of Conway, N. H., was in town Thursday.

Mr. A. F. Copeland is spending a short time in Boston and Westfield, Mass.

On account of lack of space the continuation of the story will be given next week.

Read the Special offer of Ira F. Clark, (Portland's leading clothier) found in another column.

Miss L. C. Hall calls attention to a complete line of picture moulding. See her window for latest samples.

Miss Nellie Bartlett of Berlin Mills, N. H., visited her aunt, Mrs. John N. Swan, and other relatives, the past week.

Henry M. Osgood of Bethel, and Laurinda L. Hilton of Portland, were married at Bethel, April 4, by Rev. F. E. Barton.

Edward King went to Boston yesterday to attend the wedding of his sister, Helen F. King, a former resident of Bethel.

Rev. F. E. Barton attended the funeral of Mr. Chas. Crockett at West Sumner, Monday. Mr. Crockett was an old resident of Sumner.

Come into the News office and see a larger line of tablets, note books, paper, envelopes, pens, pencils, etc., than ever seen here before.

Rev. and Mrs. Webster Woodbury of Milford, Mass., and W. K. Woodbury, Esq. of Pottsville, Pa., who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Purington, returned to their homes Saturday.

When you are in Norway, don't fail to call and examine the complete line of dress goods of Thomas Smiley.

A carload of ladies' ready-made suits, and is showing now the largest line he has ever shown.

The Penobscot Canning & Packing Company was organized at East Corinth, Monday, with a capital stock of \$10,000. The officers are Dr. S. C. Philbrick, president; W. R. Clark, treasurer; E. A. Coe, clerk, and the board of directors numbers seven well known men in East Corinth and vicinity. One hundred acres of corn were ploughed at the meeting on Monday. The company has made arrangements with J. & E. A. Wyman of Milbridge, who will stock the building, to be erected at East Corinth, and pay the company the interest on their investment.—Bangor News.

Lecture Course Completed.

The last lecture of the Gould's Academy lecture course was delivered last Friday night by V. W. Stetson, state superintendent of schools. Mr. Stetson's subject was, "Leaders and What They Teach," and was handled by him in an interesting and logical manner.

The fact that the speaker had seen those of whom he spoke, conversed with them, been charmed by their eloquence and inspired by their magnetic powers, made his discourse especially appreciative.

His power of description readily commended itself to his hearers and helped them to understand full well the secret of the greatness of the world's leaders.

The Poverty Social.

There was a goodly company at the poverty social, at the home of Mrs. Fox, last Thursday evening, and a pleasant time was had.

A penny for each letter in one's name, brought a liberal supply of hulled corn and milk and a piece of gingerbread thrown in.

Many costumes indicated that the prevailing tendency of the season is toward the 16th century styles. The guests guessed at how many nails could be put into a tumbler of water without spilling, and experimented with sleight-of-hand and mind reading.

Mrs. Fox and her daughter, "Lutie" know how to entertain, and all went away with a delightful "come-again" feeling in their breasts.

Prof. Chapman Saws Wood.

Not long since, Selectman S. B. Twitchell and Prof. W. R. Chapman entered into a negotiation something after this sort. Mr. Twitchell, entertaining the idea that Mr. Chapman was no good at wood sawing, and desiring to convince Mr. Chapman and his friends of this fact, made him this offer. Mr. Twitchell had a nice large wood pile at the rear of his house, and he offered to give Mr. Chapman all the wood that he would saw on a certain morning before breakfast. Not only was the wood to be given, but the giver was to lug it over to the receiver, in his arms as fast as it was sawed.

This offer was of course accepted, and an early hour upon the appointed morning, found the professor at his post, or rather at the selectman's woodpile. The sawing began, soon followed by the transportation of wood to the wood shed across the way. The neighbors began to congregate, the wood pile began to diminish, the vacant space in the woodshed began to be no more; Mr. Twitchell began to realize something of the immense proportions which his task was assuming, the perspiration began to increase its flow, while the professor, said nothing but sawed wood. The race increased, enthusiasm ran wild, the saw went through

those huge sticks with magic power; arm load followed arm load in quick succession, while all the world wondered; wondered where New York's great musical director learned to saw wood; wondered how long their honored townsman would prove equal to the laborious task which he had undertaken; but at length the professor stopped. He says his only reason for so doing was pure sympathy for the wood pile and Mr. Twitchell, who, he says, presented a pitiable sight, lugging the wood, although he admits that Mr. Twitchell got the better of him in one way, and that was by utilizing the crust across the field, instead of lugging the wood around by the road as he supposed would be the case when the negotiation was made.

Mr. Chapman says they must not make him any such offers, for he will take every one of them, henceforth, since he made so well out of this one, winning two points as he claims; first in getting such a fine lot of wood, and second, in earning all the cream pies he can eat during the coming year. It seems Prof. Chapman is a great fellow for cream pies and that his wife knows just how to make them to suit him, but for some reason she has refused to make any for him, for several years, and she, likewise, doubting his capacity for sawing wood, agreed to furnish him with all the cream pies of her own making that he could eat just as long as his wood lasted. Where is the man, professor or otherwise, who could not saw wood when prompted by the craving appetite for such delicious cream pies, so long withheld, but soon to be feasted upon?

STATE NEWS.

Gen. Richards figures that the actual expense to Maine, of the war with Spain, including bounties, will be about \$12,000.

For the first time in the history of Island Falls, every dollar of the tax committed to the collector in 1898 was paid in to the treasurer, before the annual town meeting was held.

About 250 men will be employed in Hall's quarry at Bar Harbor, during the season. They have a two years' contract on hand to get the stone for the U. S. Mint building in Philadelphia.

It is thought the wreck of the steamer Portland has been located about 22 1/2 miles from Boston Light, under fifty fathoms of water. Some of the steamer's furnishings have been brought up by fishermen.

Norway had a narrow escape from another big fire Thursday morning. In the Hathaway block on Main street, about ten o'clock, flames were discovered burning through the roof, but the fire department had it under control in about half an hour. The building was fully insured. The loss will probably be about \$1000.

A girl who works in the Pepperell mill at Biddeford, caught her hair in her frame, Saturday, and would have had her scalp torn off had not her misfortune been noticed by Frank M. Means, who was working on a step ladder near her. He called to a boy who threw off the belt and saved a serious accident. As it was, the girl's hair was so twisted into the machinery that she could not be liberated until it was cut off.

Dr. Elmer Small of Belfast, has in his possession a book that was owned by his grandfather's grandfather, Isaac Small of Truro, Mass. It contains a family record of the Small family for seven generations, and Isaac Small's accounts from 1728 to 1768. The doctor also has several family letters more than a century old, and a deed of one half of six townships in York county, now Cumberland, dated in 1774, and referring for metes and bounds to a deed given by the Indian in 1666, says the Republican Journal.

Mrs. N. Q. Pope of South Portland is having an elaborate sarcophagus built in memory of her husband, who died several years ago. They had a summer home at Poland. A large underground tomb is to be constructed in Mount Pleasant cemetery, surmounted by a handsome monument. The tomb is to be of Hallowell granite and the large lot is to be inclosed in this granite. The monument will be eight feet by five feet and two inches at the base, and will be ten feet high. The die and column will be of Quincy granite polished. The caps are to be elaborately carved. The whole work will cost several thousand dollars.

Card of Thanks.

For the kindness of friends and neighbors who so kindly rendered assistance in my recent affliction, the death and burial of my dear husband, I hereby tender my heartfelt thanks, also for the comforting words expressed in prayer and song. May they, each and every one, in time of trouble and sorrow, receive the same thoughtful kindness. The brother and sisters, also my father and mother unite with me in expressing their thanks and appreciation.

MILLIE H. CLARK.

Cottage for Sale.

Situated on Easterly side of Lake Penesseewassee, Norway, Oxford Co., Maine

60 miles from Portland, Me., 3 miles from Norway Village. Cottage 18x28, story and one-half, 8-foot piazza on three sides, all extension 12x14, one acre of land with pine grove on shore of lake, steamer lands at wharf near cottage twice a day. Ice house connected with sufficient ice for season. Cottage furnished with stove, dishes, beds, chairs, etc. An extended view up and down the lake. Price \$500.00. Excellent salmon and bass fishing. Possession given immediately.

WM. C. LEAVITT, NORWAY, ME.

South Bethel.

Sap has not run any yet.

A. C. King is at work at Locke Mills.

Mrs. J. O. Swan has been visiting at Rumford Falls.

We understand that Al Smith is to move to Greenwood soon.

Tom Conroy is about to move on to a milk farm near Mechanic Falls.

Mr. Isaiah King has returned from Newry where he has spent the winter.

Mrs. Wm. Clark has been spending a few days among her old neighbors.

J. A. Cushman bought a lot of sap supplies on Swan Hill and has got part of them home.

Cummings Bros. are rushed with orders at the Russell mill and are using a large amount of hard and soft wood.

Gilman Blake has a new house-keeper, Bert Cummings and his wife having moved into the Ethelridge house.

Gilman Blake will not be able to get the lumber he has cut across the meadow until summer, as the water is over the meadow.

The Library Circle met with Mrs. I. A. Cushman last week; the Circle has had a new book case made and added some thirty new books.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cuscuta's Candy Cathartic. 10c per box. If C. C. fails to cure, Druggists refund money.

NORWAY.

The festival chorus rehearsal was held Monday evening at Carrie Tucker's. A pleasant evening was spent in her home.

The recent thaw made a favorable impression upon the lake. At one time the water was raised eight inches in forty-eight hours.

A. F. Andrews & Sons had another car load of western horses, last Thursday. Crowds are about their stable, inspecting and buying.

Repairs are being made about the interior of Kimball & Williamson's drug store. They are sure to keep their store up to a first class standard.

The mammoth elm opposite the Norway bank, has been removed from the street. This gives more space on the sidewalk, and allows a larger amount of light to enter the store.

C. Clifford Adams and Harry Farrar started for Saratoga Springs, N. Y., last Friday, where they are to assist Frank Lee in the management of an eight mile electric road. Mr. Lee was formerly superintendent of the Norway & South Paris road, so his many friends in this vicinity, wish the New York system success.

Letter to S. B. Twitchell, Bethel, Me. Dear Sir: The late president of the Croton River Bank, at Brewster, N. Y., built the finest house in all that region in 1884, and painted it with lead and oil at a cost of \$400—the house cost \$31,000.

In 1887—three years—he repainted it with Devco at a cost of \$350. In 1897 this paint was in good condition.

Lead and oil, \$400, three years. Devco, \$350, five years.

Yours truly, F. W. Devco & Co.

"To Err is Human."

People like to talk about attractive things in advertising. In company recently the proverb above quoted, which appeared at the head of one of a well constructed series of advertisements Hood's Sarsaparilla, was much discussed that we doubt if any of us will ever forget the source whence it came. Messrs. Hood's & Co. are using these proverb advertisements on a very broad scale, and they are attracting discussion and favorable comment everywhere.

Notice.

The undersigned having purchased a residence in Portland, are desirous of disposing of their household furniture in Bethel, including carpets, chamber sets, curtains, crockery and glassware, stoves and numerous other household utensils.

All who are desirous of purchasing any of the above named articles are cordially invited to call. Mr. and Mrs. EUGENE FOSTER, Bethel, April 1, 1899. 3w.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON III, SECOND QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, APRIL 16.

Text of the Lesson, John xiii, 1-17.

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1. "Having loved His own which were in the world, He loved them unto the end." How good it is that He never ceases to love us! He never finds out anything new about us, but before ever He told us of His love He knew us thoroughly, and He loves us with an everlasting love (Jer. xxxi, 3). He came from the Father into the world. He is now about to return to the Father, and He has some last words to say to His disciples, many of which are full of assurance of His love, such as chapter xv, 9.

2. At one time the devil used the serpent, but since Eve listened to him and ate of the forbidden fruit, the devil has always been able to find men and women enough for his purposes. He puts before us evil thoughts, and if we receive an evil thought then he will show us how to carry it out to an evil deed, and he will come into us himself and consume it. In this verse he puts the thought into Judas' heart, and in verse 27 he comes in himself.

3. Jesus was conscious that all power and all things were His. He came from God and was going to God, and because of what He was He did what He did. He did not try to make Himself equal with God, for He was equal with God, one with the Father. If we have received Him, we are children of God by faith in Him, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ (Rom. viii, 16, 17), and as we believe this we will be enabled to do or bear anything that He has made us heirs of.

4. Laying aside His garments is suggestive of the glory which He laid aside when He came to earth for us, and girding Himself with a towel makes us think of Him as our great high priest, ever ministering to and serving us. He is still girded about the loins with a towel, and He is still at God's right hand for us as well as in the midst of the churches.

5. Washing and wiping the disciples' feet—how dumb with astonishment must have been, and what an opportunity for blessed service, some one lost! How low we are to see the opportunities until they have passed. He never lost one.

6. "Lord, dost Thou wash my feet?" With amazement Simon has watched Him washing the feet of his disciples, but now that his own turn has come he cannot stand it and thus cries out, adding, "Thou shalt never wash my feet" (verse 8). To see our Lord taking the place of the most menial servant was too much for Peter and perhaps made him wish that he had been crucified enough to do this instead of his Lord and Master.

7. "What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter." The teacher does not necessarily refer to heaven and the life to come, but to a later period in this present life. We often have some light as the years pass on upon God's dealings with us, but doubtless the full light will not come till the morning, and many things may remain dark till then.

8. "If I wash thee not thou hast no part with Me." As to this washing see chapter iii, 6; I Cor. vi, 11; Titus iii, 6; Rev. i, 5; Eph. v, 26. We cannot have part with Christ if He has made us one, but it is His work, and His alone, that can give us this necessary cleansing.

9. Simon, not understanding, now asks for more than our Lord was doing. Possibly he had some thought in mentioning hands and head as well as feet of the blood and oil upon the feet and head and feet in the consecration of the priests and the cleansing of the leper (Lev. xiii, 34; xiv, 9, 10). "What I do every while." What a word concerning such as Peter and John and the others! Yet it is true of every sincere believer. Sanctified as well as justified by the one offering of Jesus Christ once for all—yes, perfected forever and complete in Him (Heb. x, 10, 14; Col. ii, 10). This is our standing in Christ through His finished work. As to our daily life we need constant cleansing. The feet suggest our contact with the world.

10. "Ye are not all clean." Judas never had been a true disciple. He was only of the number of the twelve, not of the twelve who go out from the number of Christ's followers never to return. He made it manifest that he never was a true follower (I John ii, 19). Those who are true disciples (I John ii, 18, 19) will make it manifest that they are true disciples by their lives. The Lord knoweth them that are His.

11. "Ye know ye what I have done to you?" They certainly knew that He had washed and wiped their feet, but that was only the outward act. Did they understand its meaning? He made known His love to Moses, His acts unto the children of Israel (Ex. xii, 17). "Ye know ye what I have done to you?" They certainly knew that He had washed and wiped their feet, but that was only the outward act. Did they understand its meaning? He made known His love to Moses, His acts unto the children of Israel (Ex. xii, 17). "One is your Master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren" (Math. xxiii, 9).

12-14. "I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you." We cannot be saved by trying to imitate Christ, for there is no salvation except by His blood. "The life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls, for the atonement for the soul" (Lev. xvii, 11). But He saves us by His blood that we may follow Him as our example and manifest His life in these mortal bodies. Not saved by any doing of ours, but saved that we may do as He has done, and thus be saved. We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before prepared that we should walk in them" (Eph. ii, 10). Nothing will make us more apt to see exactly these good works which He has for us to do than a study of the life of our Lord in the four gospels, always supposing that we are filled with the Spirit both to study and to do. Many are willing to do some great thing, but to lay aside our official crockery and to serve those whom we consider beneath us—this requires more grace than most of us seem to have.

15. "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them." Elsewhere He said, "Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven" (Math. vii, 21). "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves" (Jas. i, 22). "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is sin" (Jas. iv, 17). "This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men" (Titus iii, 8).

Notice to Grafton Tax-Payers.

Notice is hereby given to the tax-payers of the town of Grafton, that the tax for the year 1898, which remain unpaid on April 26, 1899, will be left in the hands of an attorney for collection.

J. H. FAIRBANK, Collector.

Watches Need Attention.

occasionally, the same as any machine. A drop of oil once a year will prolong the life of a watch many years. An unskilled workman may prove the ruin of a fine time piece. Should your watch need attention I will repair it carefully and warrant it.

EDWARD KING, Jeweler and Optician.

W. J. WHEELER, South Paris, Maine.

Have sold these organs for 25 years and they are better now than ever before. They sing their own praises. Sold on easy monthly or quarterly payments. Write for catalogues.

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